

PUBLIC HEARING NOTICE

The Planning Commission of the City of San José will hold a Public Hearing on **Wednesday, September 24, 2008** to certify that the Final Environmental Impact Report (EIR) prepared for the project identified below has been completed in compliance with the California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA). This Public Hearing will be held in accordance with Title 21 of the San José Municipal Code.

The Public Hearing is to be in the City Council Chambers, on the second floor of City Hall Wing, at 200 East Santa Clara Street, San José, California, at **6:30 p.m.** or as soon thereafter as this item can be heard. You are welcome to attend and to speak on this issue. If you choose to challenge the decision on this Environmental Impact Report in court, you may be limited to only those issues you, or someone else, raised and discussed at the Public Hearing or in written correspondence delivered to the City at or prior to the Public Hearing.

The project being considered is:

San Jose Medical Center Demolition FINAL ENVIRONMENTAL IMPACT REPORT for a Planned Development Permit, PD07-008, to demolish ten existing buildings (many attached), totaling approximately 339,000 square feet that comprise the San José Medical Center, located at 675 East Santa Clara Street in central San José. All ten buildings would be demolished as part of the proposed project, with the exception of an approximately 5,400 square foot portion of Building 800. The proposed demolition would be completed in two phases. In phase I, eight of the 10 buildings would be completely demolished, as would a portion of Building 800. The phase II would include demolition of the San José Mediplex building, located at 725 East Santa Clara Street. The project proposes to retain and preserve the approximately 5,400 square foot 1919 portion of Building 800. The project does not include removing parking lots or any other asphalt or concrete-paved areas. All buildings included in the proposed demolition would be removed to ground level, and sub-grade open areas would be filled in. An estimated 2,048 truck loads or 51,200 cubic yards of demolition material would be removed from the site, and the demolition process is expected to take approximately six months. Utility lines and wells would be capped and/or closed until future development of the site. After demolition, the site would be enclosed by a fence and patrolled by private security personnel. Any hazardous materials that are still in or on the buildings, including asbestos-containing materials and lead-based paint, would be removed in accordance with all applicable federal, state, and local regulations. The site contains 271 trees, of which 33 are ordinance-sized.

Council District: 3

The Final Environmental Impact Report, including the City's responses to comments received during the Public Review Period (June 4, 2008 to July 21, 2008), is available for review Monday to Friday 8:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m. at the Department of Planning, Building and Code Enforcement, 200 East Santa Clara Street, San José.

The certification of the Final EIR may be appealed in writing by any person prior to 5:00 p.m. on **Monday, September 29, 2008**. Such protest shall be filed at the Department of Planning, Building and Code Enforcement and shall include a statement specifying the basis of the appeal. An appeal of the certification of the Final EIR will be heard by the City Council at the earliest possible date.

It should be noted that the certification of a Final EIR does not constitute approval of the project for which it was prepared. The decision to approve or deny the project will be made separately as required by City Ordinance.

To arrange an accommodation under the Americans With Disabilities Act to participate in this public meeting, please call TTY#: (408) 294-9337 or (VOICE) or (408) 535-3500 at least 48 hours before the meeting.

Comments and questions regarding the EIR are welcome and should be referred to **Rachel Roberts** of the Department of Planning, Building and Code Enforcement (408) 535-7860 or rachel.Roberts@sanjoseca.gov. For your convenience, contact **Carmen Stanley** at the same telephone number the week of the Public Hearing to verify that this item will be heard and is not scheduled for deferral to a later date.

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Date: September 9, 2008

